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GENOA ANXIETY.

CONFERENCE ENDANGERED.

FRANCE'S GRAVE TREAT.

RUSSIA'S PROPERTY ATTITUDE.

LONDON, April 25.

Well-informed quarters in London regard M. Poincaré's threat of isolated action against Germany as a warning of grave significance.

Genoa reports state that the British delegation is to-day discussing the new situation arising from the attitude of the Russians on the sub-committee of experts which is regarded with anxiety because if the Russians insist on non-recognition of debts or the rights of private property it will mean the breaking down of the whole of the basis of the conference.

It is emphasised that the period of so-called bargaining cannot continue indefinitely.

GENOA, April 25.

British official opinion considers M. Poincaré's speech very serious, because it was made without consulting the Allies.

MEDIAEVAL SURVIVAL.

GENOA, April 25.

M. Chicherin, in a statement regarding the difficulty of yesterday's meeting of experts, said that immediately the question of property was raised the discussion became most important for the Russians who considered private property as an abuse similar to medieval feudal rights or serfdom and should be abolished. It was impossible to yield on this point, but in order to smooth present difficulties they proposed to grant former owners long leases or participation in mixed companies. Furthermore, the Russians considered they were entitled to decide what were just claims.

M. Chicherin summed up the whole trouble as a difference between two contradictory legal conceptions. M. Chicherin declared that *de jure* recognition of the Soviet was for them a question of trade which was impossible without legal powers.

WILL FRANCE WITHDRAW?

LONDON, April 25.

While Genoa is talking of the possibility of Russia breaking up the conference, London is speculating on the eventuality of France withdrawing. It is asserted that such a step would result in France's isolation, as it is believed the conference would continue without her. Mr. Lloyd George is such an eventuality is expected to return home to seek a fresh vote of confidence.

M. Poincaré spoke in his capacity as President of the Council General of Meuse, one of the French departmental assemblies whose members include 470 members. The Parliament was holding its Easter sessions. The inaugural address of the president exceptionally on this occasion dealt with foreign affairs. Practically all the council's adopted resolutions of confidence in M. Poincaré, demanding strict execution of the Treaty of Versailles. The French newspapers also support M. Poincaré, declaring that his speech reflects the sentiments of the country.

TEDIOUS BARGAINING.

GENOA, April 25.

Signs are not wanting that the powers are weary of Russian affairs which are engrossing general attention. It is announced in British circles that the tedious Soviet bargaining must soon end. The powers do not intend to prolong the arguments indefinitely.

PARIS, April 26.

With a view to clarifying the Russian situation, the allied experts have drafted a questionnaire requesting definite answers from the Soviets regarding official pre-war obligations, war debts, losses inflicted on foreigners, and restoration of confiscated property.

A DEBATED FACT.

GENOA, April 25.

Mr. Lloyd George handed M. Barthou the non-aggression pact which was the subject all day of examination by Anglo-French jurists. Details are not available but difficulties are likely to be encountered since it is understood questions of boundaries are involved.

"OUR HAT IS IN THE RING."

AMERICA'S MARITIME AMBITIONS.

WASHINGTON, April 25.

Owing to the Lamport and Holt Line reducing passenger rates to South American ports, the Shipping Board announces that the Matson Line rates have been reduced to \$295 for Rio de Janeiro, \$340 for Monte Video, and \$360 for Buenos Aires compared with the Lamport and Holt Line's \$315, \$360, and \$370 respectively.

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SHIPBUILDING NEGOTIATIONS.

SITUATION MORE HOPEFUL.

LONDON, April 25.

The shipbuilding negotiations have evolved proposals which both sides are submitting to their constituents.

Details have not been divulged but the situation is regarded as more hopeful. In consequence of the engineers' deadlock 47 unions have approached the A.E.U. with a view to re-establishing a united front.

LATER.

The basis settlement approved by the negotiators is an immediate reduction of 10s. 6d. a week, the remaining 6s. to be split up into 3s. effective in May and the rest early in June. It is understood that both sides recommend acceptance.

STABILISING CURRENCY.

CENTRAL BANK SCHEME.

WASHINGTON, April 25.

President Harding has expressed his willingness to the Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank to participate in the proposed association of central banks.

[A London cable dated April 13 stated: The speediest possible return to the gold standard is the allied experts' main recommendation regarding the stabilisation of currency. This should be assisted by an association of central banks, also by an international convention for the purpose of centralising and co-ordinating the demand for gold to avoid fluctuations in price which are likely to follow competitive efforts by a number of countries to secure metallic reserves. Each country should be left free to decide whether to adopt the old gold parity or a new parity approximating the present exchange value of its currency. Experts advise early abandonment of restriction on imports and exports which is applied to certain countries with the object temporarily to protect their finances.]

IRELAND'S TROUBLE.

GENERAL KILLED.

LONDON, April 26.

General Adamson, commanding the Athlone brigade of the pro-treaty I.R.A. was killed at Athlone last night. He was held up by Republican troops who shot him when he raised his hands.

Several Republican officers were arrested and taken to the pro-treaty I.R.A. headquarters.

HOME COTTON WAGES.

DISPUTE SETTLED.

LONDON, April 25.

The wages question in the cotton trade has been settled, a conference of employers and employed of the Manchester spinners and weavers having accepted the terms conceded to the card room workers. Wages will be reduced immediately 3s 3d, in the pound and another 10s six months hence.

CHINA'S CRISIS.

AMERICAN PRECAUTIONS.

NEW YORK, April 25.

A message from Manila in connection with the sailing of the warship "Huron" to China in consequence of the crisis there states that two additional cruisers with troops are being held at the Philippines in readiness for action.

SIAM'S CROWN PRINCE.

FRENCH MILITARY TRAINING.

NANCY, April 25.

The Crown Prince of Siam has completed six months' military instruction here. He was given a farewell dinner by the civil and military authorities and notables. In a speech in French, he said he was much gratified by his friendly reception at Nancy.

BRITISH INDIA'S TRADE.

ADVERSE BALANCE DECREASES.

CALCUTTA, April 25.

British India's exports for 1921-2 amounted to 22,985 lakhs of rupees, imports 26,643, and re-exports 1,404, compared with 23,870, 33,560 and 1,804 respectively for 1920-1. The balance of trade, including treasure, against India was 3,263 lakhs of rupees, compared with 5,004.

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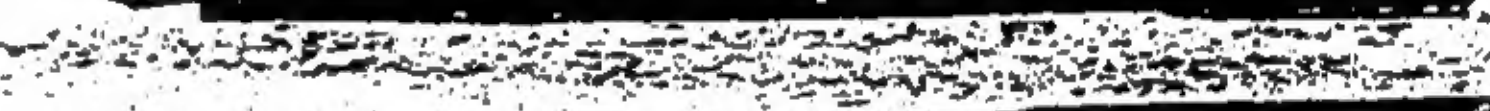
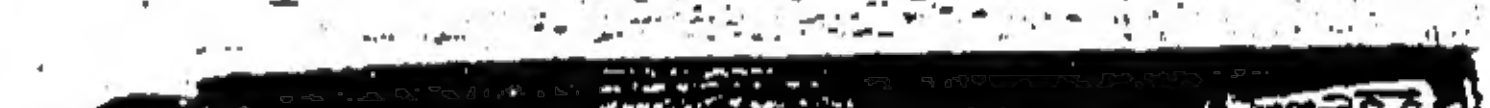
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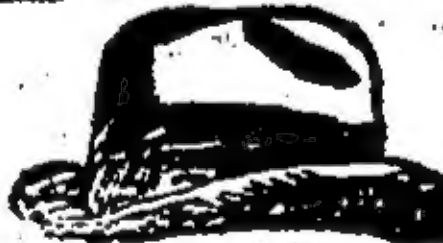
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BIRTH.

SILVA.—On April 19, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Basto da Silva, a son.

MARRIAGES.

KLUBIEN—SEVERIN.—On April 19, at Shanghai, Jorgen Klubien, Chinese Maritime Customs Service, Chungking, to Lilian Marie Neergaard Severin, of Copenhagen, Denmark.

MUNRO-FAURE-BLACKBURN.—On April 20, at Shanghai, Paul Hector Munro Faure of Champagne, Geneva, to Marion Beatrice Blackburn, of Ealing, London.

The China Mail.

4, HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1922.

FIRE!

Fire! Always, in crowded cities, this is a dreadful cry. Even in places where knowledge, forethought, and goodwill have provided the most humanly adequate means of fighting fire, the alarm must cause anxiety. How much more so here, where arson is too common, and where our fire-fighting equipment is inadequate? In this one detail of public service Hong Kong has always lagged about a decade behind. It has neither employed the right men nor bought the right appliances. When it should have had horses it had coolies. When it should have had motors it had whatever it had. Even now it is only just perched on the edge of the overworked and reluctant policemen to firemen's work is not good enough. Even now

its equipment is severely criticized by the Chamber of Commerce. Even now we find the Government writing those irritating official denials "that the Fire Brigade service was in any way faulty," and those still more irritating promises that "the matter will receive attention" as soon as somebody or other gets back from England, where he is "understood to have devoted considerable time to the study of Fire Brigade matters." Even now—a sad but true—it will say it was a pity the *China Mail* didn't come and ask them for the latest and most correct information before printing these comments. What we want to hear, without any more shenanigans, is that the Governor has engaged a professional fire chief, and a brigade of professional fire-fighters, and told them to go ahead and order all the very best equipment to be had, on a scale to meet the necessities of Victoria, of the harbour, and of Kowloon, to say nothing of our outlying responsibilities.

A man who has the air of knowing what he is talking about tells the Chamber of Commerce that the hose couplings are all wrong; that the fire-fighters should carry their own lighting; that it should be far bigger, anyway, and have more accessible hose; and that we need "trained European firemen." The Chamber lets us see that, but other enclosures it sent to the Government were "private and confidential."

There is nothing very private and confidential about a city fire. There shouldn't be. It isn't only the common policemen who should be relieved of firemen's work. The C.S.P. should "stick to his last" also, and a proper fire chief be appointed. This is not a party game what he has done or tried to do so far, with the wholehearted approval and approval of the Government, and it isn't his job, any more than it

is his men's. The police have their proper police work to do at fires (and after 'em). The firemen proper should be specialists. A P.W.D. officer would be more suitable as a fire chief here than the C.S.P., if we must have cadets trying to serve two masters.

The Government would probably deny that there has been any chicanery. Very well. Concede that for the sake of argument. It holds true that we haven't got our money's worth—for in this particular money's worth means absolute efficiency—and that being granted, it seems to follow that the wrong men have been laying out the money for us.

As they have such a touching faith in the Crown Agent system, why do they not indent on the Crown Agents at once for

One fire brigade

One perfect equipment, for the use of,

and make fewer bites at this cherry? The people are fed up with the way this serious responsibility has been tackled. Now that the Chamber of Commerce has complained again, let us have no more of this official attitude of "Oh, our brigade and appliances are not too bad." That is not the question. The question is "Are they good enough?" and everybody outside officialdom knows they are not and says they are not.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A parcel of books for the troops has been sent to this office by Mr. A. C. Duckworth.

Captain Evans delivers his lecture on "The Dover Patrol" at the Tai Koo Club to-night.

A Sanitary Board coolie was severely assaulted yesterday afternoon by another coolie who is now in police custody.

The concert at the Pavilion on Sunday, promoted by the Coronet Theatre management, yielded \$24.05, which has been handed to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

A gang of coolies was at work this morning on the job of removing the interior decorations of the Prince of Wales Pavilion prior to demolishing the building itself.

Cargo from the s.s. "Persia" not cleared by May 2, will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined the same day at 10 a.m. Agents, D. & Co., Ltd.

During the absence of Major General Sir John Fowler, who has gone to Manila with the Hongkong polo team, C. I. C. W. Davy is Officer Commanding, as from yesterday.

Major G. N. Humphreys of the R.A.S.C. Captain J. M. Murphy and Captain A. McD. Hewitt of the R.G.A. are all going on long leave. Lieut. C. S. Fisher and Capt. R. le Fleming have a month's leave.

A Court of Enquiry will assemble at the Military Hospital, Kowloon, at 10 a.m., on Friday to enquire and report on losses of clothing and supplies, in charge of the officer in command of the Military Hospital, Kowloon. The President will be Major S. B. Coates, M.C., 102nd K. E. O. Grenadiers.

For the one night only, the Kowloon Theatre will show First National's latest feature attraction, "Dinty" this evening. Produced by Marshall Nollan and featuring Little Wesley Barry as a precocious newsboy, this happy picture interweaves romance, pathos and humour with an exciting story staged in San Francisco's Chinatown.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and Mrs. Pollock sailed for home to-day on holiday by the P. & O. s.s. "Kalyan." They return to the Colony in November. Mr. H. Percy Smith also sails for home to-day. Among the passengers by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Telesina" yesterday were Mrs. J. L. McPherson, Mrs. J. B. Ross, Mrs. R. Churcher, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons. Mr. Finlay Miller sailed for Vancouver yesterday by the C.P.S. "Monteagle."

One of the customs officials in Samshui, who was among the first to leave the East to serve in the war, found a number of Chinese soldiers cutting grass on customs property. Having ordered them off the property in French he was astonished to receive an answer in the same language from one of the soldiers who had been in France with the Labour Corps. This so tickled the official that he sent out ten to the soldiers and told them that they could cut all the grass they required.

THE FAULT SEASON.
OZEL complaint is sure to be prevalent during the first week of the season. The most careful buyers of the goods are noticed. It may save a life. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA PROVIDENT, LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO.

BUSINESS IMPROVES.

The 25th ordinary annual general meeting of the China, Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., was held at the Office of the General Managers Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., Ltd., St. George's Building at 11.15 a.m. to-day. Mr. R. G. Shewan presided, and there were present Messrs. H. P. White and D. M. Dodwell (Consulting Committee), Mr. R. F. Mattingly (Secretary), Mr. E. M. da Rocha (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Dr. Noble, Messrs. A. S. Ellis, W. Hardwick, Poon I Chi, W. A. Samson, H. G. Mar, W. Kar, A. P. Samy, F. Ellis, W. J. Hawker, W. J. Carroll, C. Osmond, and J. C. Saunders.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

The Report and accounts for 1921 which have been in your hands for some days show net profits for the year amounting to \$412,503.14 which, owing to the sale of a portion of your property at West Point mentioned at last year's meeting, are much in excess of those made in any previous year. With the addition of \$10,000.48 brought forward last year there is \$422,503.62 available for distribution which with your consent, we propose to deal with as follows:—

To place to Reserve Fund	\$300,000.00
To pay a Bonus to Staff	2,831.50
To place to Bad and Doubtful Debts	100.00
To pay a Dividend of 50 cents per share	100,000.00
And carry forward to next year's account	9,783.12

This will bring the Reserve Fund up to \$580,000.00 out of which it has been decided to pay a bonus to shareholders of \$250,000.00 in respect of the ratio of one new share for every five old shares or 25,000 shares of \$10.00 fully paid up.

The necessary special resolutions to effect this have now been passed and confirmed so the capital is now \$1,500,000.00 and the Reserve Fund stands at \$580,000.00.

But apart from the profit on the sale of property, I am glad to say that our ordinary business shows marked improvement. The new godowns which we bought with a part of the proceeds of the old property have proved highly satisfactory and have been kept well filled from the beginning. The result is, as you will observe from accounts, that the balance from Working Account is considerably larger than that of 1920.

Altogether the changes we made have been very beneficial to our business over and above the actual cash profit they brought us in.

We have made what we think is drastic provision for losses and doubtful debts as it is always best to be on the safe side.

Something will probably be recovered against the amount written off but we are not counting upon it and for any future possible losses in this respect we recommend providing a further \$100,000.00 as mentioned in the report.

Our properties now stand in our books at \$961,344.66 which is a very safe figure indeed as compared with what property in the neighbourhood is now fetching.

Prospects for the present year are too problematical for me to speak positively about them but I am glad to be able to say that so far in spite of strikes and increased wages and expenses we have made a very good beginning.

Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions from shareholders.

There being no questions I beg to move that the report and accounts be presented be adopted.

Mr. Adamson seconded the motion. Put to the meeting it was carried unanimously.

Dr. Noble moved that Messrs. H. P. White, G. M. Dodwell, and U. P. On be re-elected members of the Consulting Committee.

Mr. F. Ellis seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Mr. White moved and Mr. Dodwell seconded that Messrs. Linstead and Davies, and Messrs. Perry Smith, Seth and Fleming be reappointed auditors at a remuneration of \$200 each.

Put to the meeting the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman said: "That is all the business, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready."

THE BIBLE SOCIETY.

HONGKONG AUXILIARY'S ANNUAL MEETING.

Addresses by two of the delegates who attended the recent World Students' Christian Federation Conference were given at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society held in the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon. The Bishop of Victoria presided.

After a hymn and a prayer the hon. secretary (Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce) read the annual report which showed that there was an advance of 1,861 on the number of Bible Society publications issued last year, the financial statement submitted by the hon. treasurer (Captain Fogg) disclosed that the receipts obtained at Church collections, at a Chinese concert, and by the various Ladies Committees reached the satisfactory total of \$3,673.28 leaving a balance of \$100 after the necessary deductions had been made to the account of the Sub-Agency and the current expenses. A tribute was paid to the activities of the Chinese ladies whose efforts in getting donations from Chinese sources accounted for more than half the total collections.

Moving the adoption of the report and accounts the Chairman referred with gratification to the Society's steady growth here and to the power for good wrought by the Bibles distributed through the Society. He said that he regarded the formation of the World's Students' Christian Federation as one of the most hopeful movements of modern times.

The Rev. P. N. F. Young, lecturer in History at St. Stephen's College, Delhi was one of the students who addressed the meeting and the other one was Mr. H. B. of Bomah, a B. A. of the Calcutta University.

The Rev. Mr. Young regarded the Bible as the one factor which would bring the nations together. Not even the good results obtained from the Washington Conference could be more effective and lasting, he said, than the results achieved at the students' conference at Peking. He was sorry to say that he had seen an old war poster in one of the main streets of Hongkong, proclaiming to the public, under the picture of a militant German soldier ruthlessly conquering the world, "Once a German always a German." That was a lie. Anybody who knew Germany and read German history knew that the Germans of 50 years ago were not the same as they were just prior to this war. As to Chinese problems the speaker admitted that there was an anti-Christian movement but the Chinese, despite this, were adopting methods which were the outcome of Christianity. (Applause.)

Mr. H. B. discussed the influence of the Bible in India and the activities of Mr. Gandhi. He said that he believed Mr. Gandhi's influence was largely derived from the great spiritual power that he possessed, more so than his political doctrine. As he watched his fellow students in Calcutta and in Burma and saw how they were influenced by him he could not help but think that this great spiritual leader was the one which India so urgently needed at the present time, because India had for the last four or five years been largely materialistic in her objects. "It is my belief," declared Mr. H. B. "that not only India but Burma will be led by his influence into a clearer view on the spiritual outlook of life. We asked Mr. Gandhi one day how he got this great spiritual power, and mark his words, for they are very striking: 'I got my spiritual power from two sources,' he replied, 'One is the second book of the Hindu religion, and secondly from the Gospel, but more from the Gospel than the other.' Here is a 'professed Hindu,' saying that he derived his spiritual power from the Gospel. This Gospel is, I believe, working for the good of India." (Applause.)

A hearty vote of thanks having been accorded the delegates the following officers were, on the motion of the Rev. W. T. Scholes seconded by the Chairman, appointed for the ensuing year:—

President: The Right Rev. The Bishop of Victoria, Committee: The Clergy and Ministers of contributing churches, The Naval and Military Chaplains serving in Hongkong, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Mr. W. M. Humphreys, Mrs. Dowbiggin, Mrs. J. Martin, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Ma Ying, Mr. Miss Woolley, Dr. J. Herbert Sanders, Rev. H. R. Wells, Mrs. J. Milne, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Pitts, Mrs. J. H. Kemp, Mrs. Bales, Miss Storey, Mrs. C. B. W. Moore, Hon. Treasurer, Capt. H. Fogg, Hon. Secretary, Dr. T. W. Pearce.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Pearce to the delegates, to the workers and to the Committee of the Helena May Institute for the use of the meeting room.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM.

ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth annual meeting of the Hongkong Constitutional Reform Association was held at the City Hall yesterday evening. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock presided and there were also present Mr. A. R. Lowe, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. A. G. Coppin, Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. H. A. Cartwright, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. W. Jackson, Mr. T. A. Martin, and Mr. R. Stock (Hon. Secretary).

The Chairman remarked that two important events in which the Association was concerned had taken place during the past year. One was the joint meeting held with the Kowloon Residents' Association to protest to the Government against the increase in rating on houses. The result of a very large and enthusiastic meeting was entirely successful, for the Government—after the return of H. E. the Governor to the Colony—repealed the additional rates. Another important event was the dispatch Home to the Secretary of State for the Colonies of a petition for greater representation. It was not worthy that whereas under 600 people signed a similar petition in 1916, 1,500 signatures were obtained last year, which showed that there was an increasing feeling that some greater measure of representation should be accorded to residents. Mr. Pollock recalled that the petition was a moderate one; the petitioners asked for the right to elect all non-Chinese members of the Legislative Council; secondly, the constitution of a wider electorate for such election; an unofficial majority of one, subject to certain simple safeguards, upon the Legislative Council.

This petition was now in the hands of every member of Parliament at Home, and he thought members might be sure that Colonel John Ward and others would emphasize in the House of Commons, not merely the very moderate nature of the reform asked for, but the fact that the granting would be in line with other measures of reform in the direction of wider representation in other parts of the British Empire. In this connection Mr. Pollock quoted from a speech by Mr. Lloyd George in 1917 in which he said there was no part in the sphere of statesmanship in which there was greater need for revised ideas than in our attitude toward the great commonwealth of nations known as the British Empire. Mr. Pollock remarked that there were various Crown Colonies in the Empire in which not only was the principle of election granted but also the principle of an unofficial majority and, in view of the importance of Hongkong there was no reason why they should not get both greater representation and an unofficial majority on the Council.

With an unofficial majority of one, if this went entirely against the Government, it would mean that there was general dissatisfaction with the measure brought forward. One of the difficulties with which they had to contend in Hongkong was the constant change in population; this made it more surprising that 1,500 signatures were obtained the recent petition. All sorts of counter arguments were put forward but their opponents did not agree in their various arguments. Some could see little good in granting the petition, because they said, the same persons would be elected. At all events the representatives would be elected on a broader basis if they had a greater number of constituents behind them. Another argument brought forward against the change was that the present Governor was a man—and undoubtedly it was the fact—who was ready to listen to argument upon all sides. That statement was perfectly true, about the present Governor, but it was not necessary to carry the memory far back to come to times when that notoriously was not the case, and there was no security that in the future there might not be in the Colony another autocratic Governor who would not be ready to listen to advice. Merely to say that the present Governor was willing to listen to representations was no argument in favour of perpetuating a system which was inconsistent with the principles of wider representation increasingly prevalent throughout the British Empire. "So far as I can see," continued Mr. Pollock, "there has not been any really serious attack upon a single item of the petition. I cannot recall a single advanced argument which has been advanced against the right of election or against the constitution of a wider electoral body, or against there being an unofficial majority of one on the Legislative Council, subject to certain rights, mentioned in the petition, in connection with the defence of the Colony and so on."

Therefore, I cannot help feeling that now the members of the House of Commons have this matter before them we ought to see something accomplished.

The following members were elected on the Committee: Dr. Bales, Dr. Fonyth, Messrs. H. E. Pollock, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, W. L. Patterson, A. R. Lowe, W. A. D. Cowley, A. G. Coppin, A. S. D. Constand, H. A. Cartwright, F. A. Joseph, J. P. Braga, W. Jackson, and D. Harvey.

Mr. Owen Hughes said that before the meeting concluded he thought the least they could do was to express appreciation of the services rendered by the President to the Association. (Applause.) "Mr. Pollock, as we all know," Mr. Owen Hughes proceeded, "has been the life blood of the Association and like all other interests that he takes up nothing would swerve him from the attainment of the object he has in view. It has been the same with this Association. We shall miss him very much although he is only going away from us for a few months and we shall look forward with very much pleasure to his return and to his taking again an active part in the work of our Association. I ask you to join with me in wishing both Mr. and Mrs. Pollock a very happy holiday."

The members signified their appreciation by applause.

The Chairman in reply, thanked Mr. Owen Hughes for his very kind words. "I do feel," he said, "that we ought to be on the verge of some great improvement in the representation of the Colony. I think the time is ripe. I have never despaired of it even in what seemed to be the darkest hours of the Association. I think that the flowing tide of progress is with us in our efforts. I thank you very much for your good wishes for myself and my wife, and although we feel that after 51 years' absence we ought to renew acquaintance with the Home country when the time comes, to return we shall do so very gladly indeed."

WAR PICTURES.

An interesting visitor to Hongkong is Mr. J. E. Cammell one of the official photographers during the war.

He is now on a tour of the world with the complete series of stereographic photographs which he has collected from all theatres of war.

This morning we had the opportunity of seeing some of the finest and most sensational war pictures. Each view assumes life-size proportions when seen through the stereoscope with which each series is provided. The negatives from which the views are taken are valued at many thousands of pounds, depicting as they do scenes of places now gone for ever. They are everywhere received as the most authentic of front-line pictures, which tell at first sight more than the pages of many volumes. For children they are a most valuable education.

Mr. Cammell stays in Hongkong a few days to exhibit his pictures before proceeding to Shanghai.

As to the affairs of the Association, Mr. Pollock said there was a cash balance of \$86, but the Association owed sundry creditors a larger amount. He hoped members would pay their subscriptions promptly because it was obviously undesirable that the Association should be in debt. The expenses last year were very heavy indeed, in connection with the petition which involved payments for advertising, posting, printing, stationery, hire of the City Hall, etc. He moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. A. R. Lowe seconded and the resolution was carried.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The Chairman said, as some of them were aware, he was going away on leave the following morning and would not be back until November. It was, he thought, undesirable that there should be an absentee President and he had pleasure in proposing that their Vice-President, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., be elected President for the year.

Mr. Patterson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

On the proposition of Mr. Dowbiggin seconded by Mr. Lowe, Mr. J. Owen Hughes was elected Vice-President.

The Chairman proposed Mr. R. Stock, of Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co., as Hon. Secretary. Mr. W. Jackson seconded and the motion was approved. The Chairman expressed thanks to Mr. White last year's Hon. Secretary, for the enormous amount of work he had done in connection with the petition.

The Chairman mentioned that Mr. E. M. Williams, who had been good enough to carry on the work of Hon. Treasurer for a number of years, had left for Canada. He was glad to be able to tell the meeting that another gentleman of the firm of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews had consented to carry on the work. He proposed that Mr. T. A. Martin be elected to fill the position.

Mr. Jackson seconded and the motion was carried.

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STREET BASEBALL.

SANITARY BOARD MAN WAS HIT.

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT.

Inspector Allen of the Sanitary Board summoned a Japanese youth before Magistrate Fraser this morning charging him with having played baseball in Gresson Street to the annoyance of the public, and with having committed assault.

Inspector Allen said that shortly after 1 p.m. on April 8, he was walking through Gresson Street on his way to his office when he saw a party of two Japanese, including the defendant, and a Chinese, playing baseball in Gresson Street. The defendant had the ball in his hand. All three had baseball gloves on and were standing in a triangle, the defendant in the middle of the street. In order not to interfere with the game, the witness left the middle of the street and walked on the pavement. Near the south end of the street opposite house No. 1, he was hit in the middle of the back by the ball with great force. He did not turn round, but merely seized the ball with the intention of making a complaint at No. 2 Police Station.

The defendant admitted that he was in the street at the time, but denied that he was playing. Three other Japanese and a Chinese were playing. He was watching the game from the pavement and merely asked Inspector Allen to return the ball. Inspector Allen struck him on the face. Witness then put his hands on the Inspector's shoulders and exclaimed that it was not he who threw the ball but the Chinese. He suggested that they should all go to the police station together.

Magistrate: What did you say when you asked for the ball?—I took off my hat to him and said "Very sorry, master, give ball back please."

A Japanese witness said that the Chinese pitched hard. Witness missed the catch and the ball struck the Inspector.

Inspector Allen asked whether, in view of this witness's admission that he was playing, he could not be charged also.

The Magistrate said that fresh summons would be necessary.

Inspector Allen said that after picking up the ball he walked on to the corner of Queen's Road. The defendant rushed at him and put his hand roughly on his shoulder. Witness retorted the defendant holding him and pushed him away roughly, but did not strike him on the face as alleged. The witness told the defendant that if he wanted the ball back he could go to the station and lay a charge against him of stealing it, or come with him to the station, as he was going there at that moment to lay a complaint against the baseball playing. Eventually he got away, but the defendant again rushed at him after he had gone about 30 yards, and attempted to get the ball out of his pocket, much to the amusement of a large crowd of Chinese. The witness could not arrest the defendant, a stronger man, because he had no one to assist him. However, he managed again to get away, but when he reached the junction of Ship Street, the defendant made a third rush at him. He was not struck, but he thought that his clothes were in danger of being torn right off his back, so violent was the defendant.

The defendant said that at first he thought the complainant was a police inspector and spoke to him politely, but afterwards when a woman told him that he was not a policeman, he made further attempts to get the ball back.

Inspector Allen pointed out to the Magistrate that although the defendant did not admit the first assault, he had practically admitted the other two in his own statement. The defendant had no right to take the law in his own hands, and he asked for a conviction.

The Magistrate said that as the defendant was the only one who was charged with playing baseball in the streets, he would let him off lightly on that count with the fine of \$1.

Addressing Inspector Allen with regard to the assault, the Magistrate said that he thought he did wrong in retaining the defendant's ball.

Inspector Allen said that as defendant refused to give his name or come to the station with him, he had to take the ball to prove his case. The defendant could have the ball back after the case, as he had no use for it. The Inspector repeated that on the defendant's own admission, he should be convicted for assault.

The Magistrate bound the defendant over in the sum of \$50 to keep the peace for six months.

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HONGKONG EXHIBITION.

POSTPONEMENT PROBABLE.

Amongst other interesting items appearing in the correspondence published in the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is the following letter dated October 31, 1921, from Mr. C. Montague Ede, in his capacity as Chairman of the Publicity Bureau for South China:—

"Dear Sir,—As one of the main functions of the Publicity Bureau is to further British Trade interests in South China, the Committee have come to the conclusion that an Exhibition could with great advantage be held in the Winter of 1923 if sufficient support is forthcoming."

If your Chamber view this project favourably, the Committee of the Publicity Bureau are prepared to work out plans for submission to you before 31st March, 1922, by which time they think sufficient data can be collected locally and from manufacturers at Home through the Board of Trade and the Federation of British Industries.

I should mention that H.E. the Governor has been approached in this matter and has stated that he is in sympathy with the project and has further asked for fuller details to be handed him as soon as possible."

An acknowledgement from the Secretary of the chamber expresses the committee's sympathy and interest in the project and promises the chamber's support though the committee "at this stage cannot commit the chamber financially."

Interviewed by a *China Mail* reporter to-day, Mr. Ede said he was unable to give any details yet. The exhibition would certainly be held but, in view of the disturbed condition of China and the general trade depression it would probably be postponed a year or so. To make a success of such a project," Mr. Ede pointed out "you must come along on an improving market. It is no use trying to sell a man a machine at a time when he knows he may go bust."

ORIGINAL POETRY.

THE REFUGE.

The calm gray waters of the harbour seem
As though they knew forever perfect rest.
Their very stillness seems but fairy dream:
A fancy of tranquillity at best.

The elements above, tinged with a varied hue,
Reflecting last fond kiss of sun gone down.
Deepening shadow. Careers of falling dew.
Clothing the night with its unstinted gown.

Spectrous shadows, creeping as they fold
The face of waters, earth, and boundless sky:
With awe inspiring grip they seem to hold
The things that all the time are passing by.

And thus upon the stormy sea of life
A refuge in some peaceful little bay.
We're lulled to sleep; secure from toil and strife
Until we wake to face another day.

WILLIAM HILL.
Hongkong April 22, 1922.

DIRTY FINGER NAILS.

EARN OWNER SEVEN YEARS JAIL.

The trial of Lam San, the man whose dirty finger nails led to his being suspected of having wilfully set fire to a wine and spirit shop at 383 Queen's Road West, was concluded this morning.

After considering their verdict for twenty minutes the jury pronounced the prisoner guilty of arson on two counts and the Prison Judge (Mr. J. B. Wood) in sentencing him said: "The jury have found you guilty of setting fire to a house at 383 Queen's Road West. They have found you guilty of setting fire to it when there were persons resident there. They have also found that your intention was to obtain money to which you were not entitled. They have considered the evidence very carefully and I entirely agree with their verdict. On each of these counts on which you are convicted you are sentenced to seven years hard labour, the sentences to run together concurrently."

His Honour thanked the jury for the care and attention they had paid to the case.

CANTON'S ARMY.

INTERESTING WUCHOW REPORTS.

STORY OF A \$400,000 BRIBE.

(From a Correspondent.)

Wuchow, April 23.

When the war between the two Kwangs was in progress it was not known which side General Shum of Human would favour. He was offered a sum of money said to have been \$400,000 to remain neutral. If he did not come in on the side of Kwangtung. He remained neutral but it is said the money was never paid. When the Northern Expeditionary Force was on the point of leaving Kweichow to proceed North it found the Province of Human closed to it until the \$400,000 was paid. Dr. Sun Yat-sen ordered General Chan Kwin Ming to pay this amount but this it is said the latter has steadily refused to do. This non-payment was the cause of the retirement of the Northern Expeditionary Force from the Human route. The army will now attempt to proceed North through the Province of Kiangsi.

General Li Lien Kwen with his army of Yunnanese is establishing his headquarters at Samshui. Men are being brought down from Wuchow as rapidly as transport permits.

It is said that General Li Lien Kwen arrived in Hongkong on Sunday last, although at the moment he is supposed to be in Canton in touch with Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

On Saturday last Dr. Sun Yat-sen arrived in Samshui in a Chinese Gunboat and finding everything quiet proceeded to Canton.

Owing to the military having commandeered all cargo lighters trade is nearly at a standstill.

The shopkeepers in Wuchow have refused to accept the notes of the Provincial Bank of Canton. Nearly all the shops have closed. Canton silver fluctuates between 15 to 21 per cent. discount.

When Dr. Sun Yat-sen arrived at Samshui he was met by an officer in a seaplane, who after a few minutes conversation returned to Canton. Dr. Sun shortly afterwards left Samshui for Canton.

LOCAL PLAGUE.

Eighteen cases of plague (ten fatal) were reported yesterday. They were all Chinese. One case of diphtheria Indian, and another of small pox, Chinese completed the return of notifiable disease.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Sanitary Board the Medical Officer of Health reported that two cases of plague had occurred in the block of houses comprising Nos. 129 to 139 Wanchai Road. All the houses had ceilings. The first case occurred at No. 129 the day before yesterday, and the other case was removed from No. 131 yesterday. The block was outside the infected area. He would like to be beforehand with the plague there if he could. Therefore he asked the Board to include the block in the infected area so that he could get the ceiling removed and the rat-holes stopped before more cases of plague occurred. The meeting agreed.

As the result of a motor cycle accident on Monday, Mr. Neil MacArthur, of the Tai-oo Docks, is now in hospital suffering from injuries to his legs. Mr. MacArthur was proceeding up the street incline in Shaukiwan Road leading to Stanley Terrace, when he was run down by a motor cycle and sidecar driven by Mr. A. M. Hollands, also of the Docks. The cycle got out of control coming down the hill and ran into Mr. MacArthur before Mr. Hollands could apply the brakes. Mr. MacArthur was badly hurt, but it is not thought his injuries will be permanent.

Bright was the scene and happy the throng in the Kowloon Theatre last night for the last fancy-dress dance of the season. Most of the dancers were in costume, and very pretty some of the dresses were. Others were clever or fanciful, but all added to the colour provided by artistic decorations and skilful lighting effects. Indian Jack as the "Avenge Arrow" was present in full native dress to demonstrate his skill with whip and lariat. Close interest and cordial applause was his reward. A majority vote having decided in favour of the jetties as the means of selecting the lucky winners for the prizes, a number of dances were held on the roulette principle. A special prize, however, was awarded the circus clown for a very clever costume and make-up. The orchestra was in fine form, and altogether it was a very jolly evening.

ATHLETICS.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

INTER HOUSE SPORTS.

These sports were held at the University Athletic Ground on Monday afternoon by kind permission of the University Athletic Association. The sports were entirely managed by the boys under the supervision of the Games Master, Mr. E. C. Thomas. There was a record number of entries—380 from 111 boys for 17 events, being nearly treble the entries of three years ago. Last year a system of giving points for winners instead of prizes was started and this year again no prizes were given. Boys showed great enthusiasm for their houses.

Results were as follows:—
100 yards Junior Race.—1, T. Edwards, 2, E. Tape, and 3, A. Essabhooy.

100 yards Senior Feet Race.—1, Lee Yan Tek, 2, Chan Hing Kui, and 3, Lee Wai Choi.
220 yds. Junior.—1, Kwok Po Chuen, 2, A. Essabhooy, and 3, E. Tape.

220 yds. Senior.—1, Chan Hing Kui, 2, Mok Yik Wah, and 3, Lee Wai Choi.

440 yds. Junior.—1, A. Essabhooy, 2, A. Nomanbhoy, and 3, A. Mooney.
440 yds. Senior.—1, Ed. Zimmern, 2, Mok Yik Wah, and 3, Lee Wai Choi.

1 Mile Junior.—1, A. Nomanbhoy, 2, A. Essabhooy, and 3, E. Tape.
1 Mile Senior.—1, G. Wing 2, Chan Hing Kui, and 3, Lam Ping Shing.

1 Mile (Open).—1, Lam Ping Shing, and 2, Ma Hing Cheung.

Long Jump Junior.—1, Allan Pang (14 ft.), 2, E. Tape, and 3, Ho Wing Yew.

Long Jump Senior.—1, Lee Yan Tek (18 ft. 7 in.), 2, Ed. Zimmern, and 3, J. Chan.

High Jump Junior.—1, Kwok Po Chuen, 2, Ho Wing Yew, and 3, A. Black.

High Jump Senior.—1, Lee Yan Tek, 2, Lee Shiu Kee, and 3, J. Chan.

Hurdle Race.—1, Lee Wai Choi, 2, Lee Yan Tek, and 3, Lee Shiu Kee.

Wheel Barrow Race.—1, Ho Wong and Lan Po Yee; 2, A. Nomanbhoy and Chan Ping In; and 3, Wong Sik Kuen and Chan Cheung Leung.

Team Race Junior.—1, Blue House, 2, Red House, and 3, Yellow House.
Team Race Senior.—1, Red House, 2, Yellow House, and 3, Green House.

Total Points:—
Red House 58 points, Blue House 41 points, Yellow House 39 points, Green House 35 points.

BEAUMONT'S AFFAIRS.

ANOTHER REMAND GRANTED.

E. A. Beaumont was again before Magistrate Lindsell this morning. Mr. C. A. S. Ross, for the defence, said that he had not had sufficient time to go through his client's accounts, and asked for another remand. The Magistrate fixed the hearing of the case for Tuesday afternoon next.

STABBED AND ROBBED.

Stopped last night on the Kowloon City-Yammat Road by four or five highwaymen armed with daggers, a Chinese showed fight. He was stabbed in the chest, however, and when he collapsed, had \$21 in 10-cent pieces stolen. The robbers escaped up the hillside. The wounded man was later taken to hospital by the police. His injuries are not considered serious.

TAKOO TROUBLE OVER.

The trouble arising out of a disagreement between a Chinese fitter who was subsequently discharged and a European timekeeper, which threatened to result in a strike of fitters employed at the Takook Sugar Refinery has been satisfactorily averted. On inquiry to-day a *China Mail* reporter ascertained that agreement was reached yesterday.

The fine turbine steamship Kwai tung had a miraculous escape from doing a deal of damage as she came up the Bangkok river recently, says the *Bangkok Times*. It was then about half past six o'clock, and the vessel was approaching the lighter anchorage below Bangkok Point. Captain A. Petersen, the pilot, was in charge, and Captain Scott was with him on the bridge. It became necessary to alter the speed and course of the ship, but it was shortly discovered that the telemotor steering gear had jammed and that the bridge had lost control. Prompt action was taken. Both anchors were dropped, and the engines were reversed. The next few minutes were exciting and somehow the steamer got through some fifteen lighters, damaging only one, the property of the East Asiatic Co. Ltd. Happily even that damage was not very serious.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 12th prox., or they will not be recognized.

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Consignees are advised that the cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon and that no Fire Insurance has been effected.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all cargo remaining undelivered after 2nd May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns, where it will be surveyed on 2nd May at 10 a.m.

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THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (For account of the Concerned),

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FRIDAY,
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HUNG CHEONG,
ON LEE,
KOWLOON STORES,
&c., &c.
PUT IT ON THE BOOK TO-NIGHT.

CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

MATTERS OF INTEREST.

The committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce met yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak to discuss a number of important matters.

TWO MANY EXCHANGES
The Chairman read a letter from the Colonial Secretary making it known that the Government had looked with disfavor upon the formation of separate exchanges and proposed the establishment of one general stock exchange without racial discrimination as to membership.

A committee was appointed to consult with the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on the subject.

EXPORT OF SILVER
Another letter from the Colonial Secretary notified that the Government had decided to grant the Chamber's request that bona fide travellers should be allowed to take \$50 in subsidiary coins out of the Colony instead of \$30 as formerly.

At the Chairman's suggestion it was resolved to write and thank the Government for their concession.

CARGO COOLIES' REQUEST
In a letter which set out that they regarded the Chamber as "our parents in our suffering" the Cargo Coolies Guild wrote asking the Chamber to help them in eliminating the stevedores. A sub-committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

MR. HO KONG TONG RESIGNS
Referring to the resignation from the committee of Mr. Ho Kong Tong the chairman said that Mr. Ho Kong Tong was an enthusiastic worker for



Daughter of U.S.A. Secretary of State, to marry Mr. C. L. Waddell of N. Y.

the welfare of the Chinese community and had been a very active member of the Chamber since its formation. He suggested a tea party in honour of Mr. Ho Kong Tong and its was decided to hold the function at the To Yuen restaurant.

CHINA'S DEBTS
Discussion of a letter from a society formed with the object of helping China to rid herself of her debts was postponed to the annual meeting.

HEAVY CLAIM AGAINST SHANGHAI INSURANCE CO.

SHANGHAI LIFE SUE BY FOUNDER'S WIDOW—TWO AND A HALF PER CENT. CLAIMED ON PREMIUM INCOME.

An action involving a considerable sum of money—two and a half per cent. on the premium income of the Shanghai Life Insurance Co., over a period of 10 years was begun in H.M. Supreme Court on April 20, before his Honour Judge Grain, plaintiff being the widow of King Chun-kee, the founder, or one of the founders, of the defendant company.

Mr. R. G. MacDonald appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Duncan McNeill for defendant.

Plaintiff's claim stated that she is the widow and legal personal representative of King Chun-kee, deceased, a Portuguese citizen, and defendant is a British registered limited liability company carrying on life insurance business in China, with their registered office in Shanghai. (2) Under a covenant March 10, 1905, to March 10, 1915; defendants agreed to pay to King Chun-kee 2½ per cent. on the premium income of the company for a period of 10 years from the date thereof. (3) Defendants have refused to account for and pay to the plaintiff such moneys as may be due under the said covenant.

The plaintiff claims (1) an account of the said premium income of the defendant company from March 10, 1905, to March 10, 1915; (2) Payment of the amount found due.

ALLEGED BREACH OF AGREEMENT.
In their defence, the company admit the allegations contained in paragraphs one and two of the writ, except that plaintiff is the legal personal representative of King Chun-kee, and that they have refused to account for or pay to plaintiff any moneys claimed by her. According to the terms of the deed, it was a condition precedent to any liability on defendants that King Chun-kee and others should "raise the capital (of defendants) of Tls. 100,000, and assist all possible in the working of the business, getting proper brokers and agents for the company."

In June, 1906, before the said capital was raised, the deed was voided by mutual consent. Shortly afterwards, in breach of the above condition, King Chun-kee severed his connection with the defendants and engaged in the service of the China Mutual Life Insurance Co., which was in competition with the defendants, and continued in their service for about one year. By reason thereof he ceased to be entitled to the payment of any sum under the deed, and accordingly, the claim to have an account taken is denied. Defendants also rely on the Statute of Limitations.

The deceased King Chun-kee, being a Portuguese subject, at the outset Mr. McNeill entered the objection, to be argued later, that plaintiff had not obtained a British grant of probate, which was essential if a British Court was to recognize her as the legal personal representative of the deceased.

THE SOUL OF THE SHANGHAI LIFE.
In opening plaintiff's case, Mr. MacDonald said that she was suing the company as the legal representative of King Chun-kee according to Portuguese law, and the amount claimed would reach a very large figure. The late Mr. King was the originator, the founder and the soul of the Shanghai Life Insurance Company. Without him, it would never have seen the light of day. To Mr. King, and Mr. King alone, was due the fortunes which had been made out of that company. He not only brought it to light, but he nurtured it for many years and served it continually until the time of his death. From its start, it was almost entirely a Chinese concern. It had one, or possibly two, Americans connected with it, but all the money, all the directors with the exception of Mr. R. H. Parker, and nearly all the subscribers, were Chinese. It was

Chinese money and Chinese people that made the company the success it was, but it was not Chinese people who ultimately derived the benefit of it.

START OF THE COMPANY.

Taking the facts of the case in chronological order, counsel went on to say that Mr. King married plaintiff in 1900. In 1903, he joined the China Land & Finance Co. and there he met Mr. Parker for the first time. Shortly afterwards, Mr. Parker returned to America, whilst there he corresponded with Mr. King, and in the following year he returned to Shanghai and discussed with Mr. King the formation of the Shanghai Life Insurance Co. At that time, Mr. Parker was in a very impetuous state and Mr. King lent him Tls. 500. He proceeded with some assistance from Mr. Parker to form the Shanghai Life Insurance Co. They were engaged for nearly a year in the ground work before the company was actually incorporated. At that time Mr. Parker knew few, if any Chinese, and all the work was done by Mr. King. He secured the support of Mr. Tsai San-yuan, then a prominent merchant in Shanghai, and they secured the first two directors of the company. Mr. King also undertook to visit various parts of China to establish agencies and appoint agents, and he was primarily concerned in getting shareholders and subscribers. The company was incorporated in March, 1905, and on the 10th of the month the agreement providing for the payment of 2½ per cent. on premium income was signed. Defendants now claimed that this agreement was voided by mutual consent, supporting this claim by the minutes of a meeting of the directors held on June 18, 1906.

Mr. McNeill—That minute records the decision of the Board that the agreement should be cancelled, and that the parties should be informed in writing. My instructions are that there is no reason whatever to suppose that that communication was not made in writing and in Chinese, as the parties were to be informed by Chinese.

Mr. MacDonald—I shall be entitled to know whether it was actually communicated.

Mr. McNeill—I shall not be able to prove that it was.

AN EXTRAORDINARY DEFENCE.
Was ever a more extraordinary defence put forward, Mr. MacDonald asked, that by a minute or resolution of the Board of Directors, and without any consideration and without the consent of the other party concerned, they could airily cancel a deed? In April, 1912, counsel continued, one of Mr. King's sons died, and in the following month he made a will, later revoking this and making a new and final will in which he declared plaintiff to be his wife. According to this will, all his property was to be equally divided between plaintiff and his only surviving son, one to be entitled to the whole of the property in the event of the death of the other. This will was signed by seven Portuguese and the testator.

The agreement on which the present claim was based expired in March, 1915. Mr. King was then a sick man, and he died a few months later. Just before his death, he opened his safe and gave to Mrs. King various documents, among them this agreement. He had not been dead more than a few hours before Mr. Parker heard of it, and what did he do? While Mr. King was still in his coffin in the house, Mr. Parker went round and saw Mrs. King, and said: "You had better show me all the papers. I will put them in order, and if there is anything of value, I will dispose of it for you." Mrs. King did send papers, some of them valuable papers, to Mr. Parker, but she did not see that what Mr. Parker really wanted was that agreement of March, 1905. Mr. Parker returned the papers sent to him and said he was sorry but he could not do anything; of course, said counsel, because he had not got the particular document which he wished

to get. That, he submitted, was a most significant fact in regard to the alleged cancellation of this agreement. **AN OFFER OF Tls. 40,000.**

In February, 1917, the only son died and Mrs. K. then became entitled to the whole of her husband's property. She consulted her solicitors and a letter was sent to the company claiming the amount due under the agreement. In April, Mr. Parker called on plaintiff at her house in Bubbling Well, inquired about the agreement and said: "Oh, that is no use to you. You had better return it to me and I will help you to sue your husband's brother in the proceedings in the Portuguese Court." Plaintiff's answer was, if the deed was of no use, why did Mr. Parker want it? Mr. King lent him Tls. 500. He proceeded with some assistance from Mr. Parker to form the Shanghai Life Insurance Co. They were engaged for nearly a year in the ground work before the company was actually incorporated. At that time Mr. Parker knew few, if any Chinese, and all the work was done by Mr. King. He secured the support of Mr. Tsai San-yuan, then a prominent merchant in Shanghai, and they secured the first two directors of the company. Mr. King also undertook to visit various parts of China to establish agencies and appoint agents, and he was primarily concerned in getting shareholders and subscribers. The company was incorporated in March, 1905, and on the 10th of the month the agreement providing for the payment of 2½ per cent. on premium income was signed. Defendants now claimed that this agreement was voided by mutual consent, supporting this claim by the minutes of a meeting of the directors held on June 18, 1906.

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Continuing, witness said that Mr. Parker resigned and went to America. He corresponded with her husband, but the letters were lost. On his return to Shanghai, he stayed at a German hotel in Poochow Road, but he removed to the Astor House after borrowing Tls. 500 from her husband.

Witness went on to say that she was present at several business discussions between Mr. Parker and her husband, who translated to her what was said.

His Lordship said he thought he would not be able to allow this evidence to go in. The situation was a difficult one, the conversation being translated to witness, who did not know English, in the presence of Mr. Parker, who did not understand a word of Chinese.

A GHOST THEORY.
In cross-examination by Mr. McNeill, plaintiff explained the delay in bringing the action by the difficulty in obtaining documents from Macao. Also she had been busy with her husband's funeral, and the settling of his affairs.

Having ascertained from plaintiff that her late husband's "original" wife died 17 years ago, not in 1910, Mr. McNeill asked: Then if anyone says they saw, or thought they saw, this lady in 1910, it must have been her ghost?

"I buried her," answered plaintiff conclusively, "seeming to enjoy the ghost theory."

Continuing, plaintiff denied that her husband had ever acted as a broker for the China Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Will you deny that, if I produce receipts given by him for salary received as manager of China Mutual agencies, asked Mr. McNeill.

Witness repeated that she never knew her husband had worked as such.

Mr. McNeill—If you had known, would you ever have brought this action?

Witness—I should still have brought the action, on my husband's instructions.

The hearing was adjourned.

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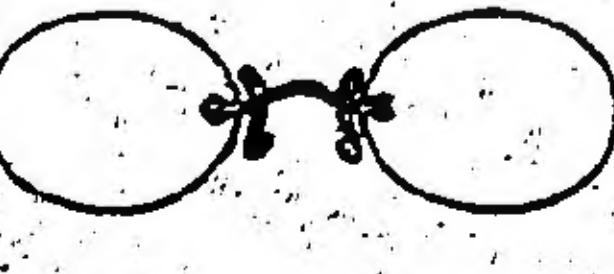
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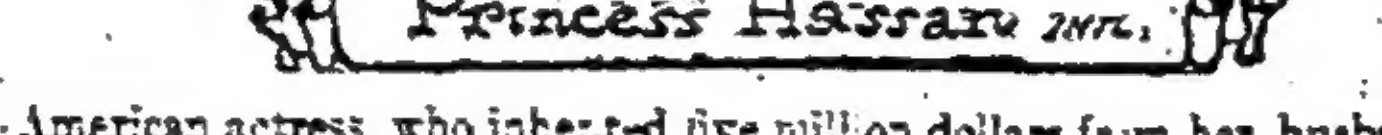
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